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Sir:

In response to the Notification of Defective Response mailed August 21, 2006, copy attached, in connection with the above-identified application, attached hereto an English translation of the PCT application, as originally filed, including claims 1 - 15. Further, a Preliminary Amendment is submitted.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case: 843.45747X00).

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495)

- Priority Document
- Copy of the International Application filed on 12/23/2005
- English Translation of the IA filed on 05/23/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 12/23/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 12/23/2005
- Oath or Declaration filed on 05/23/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 12/23/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 12/23/2005
- Specification filed on 12/23/2005
- Claims filed on 12/23/2005
- Abstracts filed on 12/23/2005
- Drawings filed on 12/23/2005

Applicant's response filed 05/23/2006 is hereby acknowledged. The following requirements set forth in the NOTIFICATION of MISSING REQUIREMENTS mailed 04/27/2006 have not been completed.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Translation of the application into English. The current translation of the application into English is defective as described below. Note a processing fee will be required if submitted later than 30 months from the priority date.
 - The number of claims in the International Application and the number of claims in the translation are not the same.

Applicant is required to complete the response within a time limit of **ONE MONTH** from the date of this Notification or within the time remaining in the response set forth in the Notification of Missing Requirements, whichever is the longer. No extension of this time limit may be granted under 37 CFR 1.136, but the period for response set in the Notification of Missing Requirements may be extended under

37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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